

UCAS Applications

for undergraduate students joining us in 2022

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UCAS

connecting people to higher education

At the heart of

- All applications for Undergraduate courses in the UK go through UCAS
- Universities and Colleges Admissions Service

www.ucas.com

- **Information &** support
- **Course Search**
- **Apply**
- **Track**



Key features of the scheme

- Maximum of 5 choices
- Choice restrictions in specific subject areas
 - Medicine, Veterinary, Dentistry–max 4
 - Oxford <u>or</u> Cambridge
- Simultaneous consideration, but with 'invisibility' from your other choices
- Codes (Institution, Course, Campus) get them right
 - Bournemouth University B50
 - Nursing B700
- Campus code not required for BU

£26.50

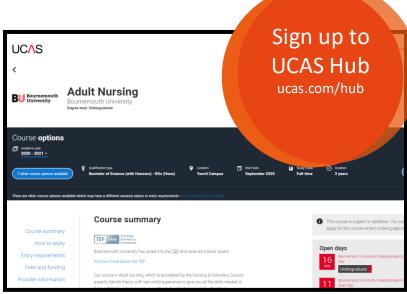
Multiple courses

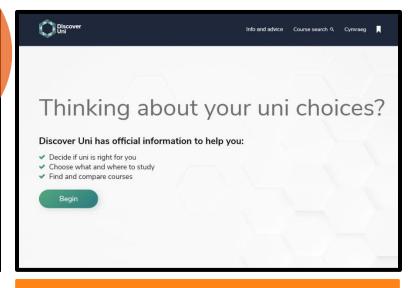
£22
Single application



Where to search for information







BU website

For detailed course information, accreditations, placement & employability detail, fees & essential information.

UCAS

Full course listings in a consistent format to review and compare courses & providers, and to eventually apply.

Discover Uni

Key metrics around satisfaction, employment and average costs to compare courses & providers.



UCAS Hub

Your personalised hub for organising everything – including your application in one place

- Save your progress and carry on whenever you want
- Handy tools to help you make choices and discover courses
 - The explore tool where you can search subjects and discover courses
 - The notepad so you can keep all your thoughts about your next step in one place
 - Apprenticeship finder for the latest vacancies, locally and nationally
 - The personal statement builder to help you structure your writing and introduce yourself to universities
 - The Tariff calculator for tallying up your UCAS points to see if you meet entry requirements.







Entry Requirements

Our offer will be based on our tariff points range, meaning flexibility about your grades.

You will need to have a minimum of 2 A-levels or equivalent. We will also consider additional study, such as the Extended Project Qualification. General Studies is usually excluded from our offer.

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Extended Certificate	Foundation/ Subsidiary Diploma		Extended Diplome	T-levels	Tariff points		A-level	Baccalaureate Higher Level Certificate	Extended Project Qualification
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Things to consider

Is it the right course for you?

- What is the balance of coursework/exams?
- How much assessment by group work?
- Opportunities for workplace or applied studies?
- Fieldwork and practical learning?

Will you meet the entry requirements?

- Required subjects?
- Required minimum grades?
- Maths & English GCSE?

Required subject: Part of the entry requirement – you must be studying one of these



Foundation Years

- Initial year of study prior to progressing onto the first year of one of our eligible degrees
- Four areas:
 - Business & Management
 - Creative Industries (in development)
 - Media & Communication
 - Science
- Right for you if:
 - You don't have the right qualifications for a full degree
 - You have the qualifications but not ready for degree-level study yet
 - You are returning to study after a gap





The Application Process

Register on **Apply Research** your options
Make your **application**

- Personal details
- Qualifications (achieved & predicted)
- Personal statement
- Teacher or Individual reference

Institutions & Providers will consider the application They will make a decision to

- Offer (Conditional/Unconditional)
- Interview (other selection measures)
- Reject

You will make your final decisions

- Firm
- Insurance
- Decline remaining choices

Your results are

considered

- Confirm
- Reject

Start applying from

7 Sept

Applications to Oxford & Cambridge 15 Oct

Get your application in by

26 Jan

UCAS Extra opens 25 Feb

You can still apply late up until the end of the cycle 30 Jun Receive university decisions by

19 May

if you applied by 26 January

Make your firm & insurance choice by

9 June

if you applied by 26 January

Confirmation,
Clearing &
Adjustment
(from early July)

Mid-Aug

Applications cycle formally closes 30 Jun

All remaining applications through Clearing



Extra, Clearing & Adjustment

Extra

- You have not received any offers or have been rejected from all your choices
- Apply one-by-one to other choices until successful, or go into Clearing after 30 June

Clearing

- You have not met the requirements for your firm or insurance choice and been rejected, or have declined any offers you do have, or haven't applied and want to make a new application
- Clearing is the process whereby any remaining places are available for students to apply.

Adjustment

- Results exceed your firm choice offer
- Opportunity to find a different place, potentially with higher entry requirements than your firm choice.

We may still offer you a place, even if you don't meet the criteria for your original offer.

When we receive your results we'll consider your application alongside any updated entry requirements for Clearing as well as your potential to succeed on the course.



Making the application



- Registration
- Personal details
- Additional Needs/Info
- Choices
- Education
- Employment
- Personal Statement
- Reference
- Declaration





Determination

Resilience

Insight

Values

Experience





Personal statements - Determination

A clear reason and motivation for applying to the course

- Your enthusiasm for the subject area
- Your career plans
- Your future employment opportunities





Personal statements - Resilience

An ability to cope with the demands of study

- Evidence of your strong organisational skills
- Your ability to work independently
- Your ability to work under pressure





Personal statement - Insight

A clear insight into the subject area/profession and an ability to reflect on any research undertaken

- Relevant professionals you have spoken to
- Reading you have undertaken
- Lectures/talks you have attended





Personal statements - Values

An understanding of the values and skills required by the course/profession

- Your ability to problem solve and work in a team
- Your strong communication skills
- How you share the NHS values

NHS values

- Working together for patients
- Respect and dignity
- Commitment to quality of care
- Compassion
- Improving lives
- Everyone counts



Personal statements – Experience

An ability to reflect on learning from relevant experiences

- What relevant experience you have, including:
 - Shadowing
 - Caring for a family member/friend
 - Volunteering experience (schools, day centres, mental health services, supported living, hospices, charities)
- Any insights into:
 - The field of practice you are interested in
 - What it is like to work in an operating department/ambulance/first response environment, or social work/social care capacity or
 - The role of a Midwife



Important skills and qualities

Approachable

Care

Commitment

Communication

Compassion

Competence

Computer Literacy

Confidence

Courage

Efficiency

Empathy

Helpful

Independence

Listening

Managing others

Organisation

Problem solving

Proactive

Presenting

Responsibility

Self-expression

Self-motivation

Teamwork

Using initiative

Working Independently





Personal statements - final thoughts

- Structure your points
 - A activity, ability or achievement
 - B benefit what have you learnt
 - C how is this relevant to the course
- Check spelling and grammar
- Be explicit about your skills and qualities
- Seek others' opinions and advice
- Don't be untruthful!
- Don't include details specific to one of your five choices
- Conclusion







Interviews

If you are applying for:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Operating Department Practice (ODP)
- Paramedic Science
- Social Work

You will be required to attend an interview.





Additional Information

Occupational Health Checks:

Questionnaire which needs to be completed fully and honestly. Confidential process and assessed individually.

Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) Enhanced Disclosure:

Essential that you are open and honest about any previous convictions, even if they are 'spent'

Second references:

Professional bodies require a second reference to demonstrate 'Good Character'



How we'll assess your application

We will make you an offer that's tailored to you and your application and will look at more than just your academic performance when making you an offer and deciding whether to accept you on the course.

Depending on the course you apply for we'll look at:

- your **grades** and other **academic** experience
- work and other experience
- Personal statement
- Your performance at an interview/selection test
- An academic/professional reference (Health & Social Care courses only)

AccessBU

If you don't have traditional qualifications, or are unable to meet the entry requirements, we may be able to make you an offer through AccessBU if you meet certain criteria e.g. you have been in care or live in an area where fewer people typically progress to Higher Education. Your offer could be 16 points below the published tariff.

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